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ROCKLIN MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO \$912,000 BANK FRAUD SCHEME

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that SHAWN ROBERT GLASS, 33, of Rocklin, pleaded guilty this morning before U.S. District Court Judge Morrison C. England, Jr. to one count of bank fraud, and one count of criminal forfeiture. Sentencing has been set before Judge England for May 18, 2004 at 8:30 a.m., where GLASS faces a maximum sentence of thirty years in prison, and up to a \$1,000,000 fine.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney James P. Arguelles, who is prosecuting the case, during the period of July of 2002 through October of 2003, GLASS was employed by Intercare Insurance Services ("Intercare"), a third party administrator for worker compensation insurance located in Roseville, California. As a claims accountant, GLASS was responsible for billing deposits, bank reconciliations, and processing return and credit items involving Intercare's bank accounts.

As part of his plea, GLASS admitted that he wrongfully obtained \$912,000 in outgoing Intercare checks for which he was directly responsible. GLASS also admitted that after acquiring these checks, he used a computer at his personal residence to fraudulently create new counterfeit Intercare checks, which were in the same amount as the checks which were wrongfully obtained, but were altered so that the payee was one of four individuals or entities which were: (1) GLASS; (2) co-defendant LORI MEYER TORBERT; (3) co-defendant JURL L. WILLIAMS; or (4) Independent Computer Sales and Training, a company controlled exclusively by GLASS. After altering the Intercare checks, GLASS admitted that he deposited and negotiated some of them into bank accounts which he controlled at Wells Fargo Bank.

Co-defendant JURL L. WILLIAMS previously pleaded guilty to one count of bank fraud, and his sentencing date is set before Judge England on March 30, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. As to the remaining co-defendant LORI TORBERT, who previously entered a plea of not guilty and has been released on her own recognizance, Judge England set a further status conference for April 20, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. The United States Attorney's Office notes that the indictment on file contains only accusations, and that defendant TORBERT is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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